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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT, UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is believed to place the subject application in better condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the application in view thereof.

This Amendment is believed timely filed on or before March 13, 1999, with payment of a three (3) month extension. A petition for a retroactive three (3)-month extension of time with an authorization for the Commissioner to charge the appropriate fee for the extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0258 is filed concurrently herewith. Should this Amendment not be considered timely filed with a three (3)-month extension of time, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of additional months required to maintain pendency of the Application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-0258.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> If a further Extension of Time, is deemed necessary, please consider this paper a Petition for such an Extension.